

Appl. No. 10/018,617  
Amtd. dated August 6, 2003  
Reply to Office Action of May 7, 2003

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Applicant :Howard Yoshihisa Ando et al.  
Filed :December 17, 2001  
Title :CALCIUM DICARBOXYLATE ETHERS, METHODS OF MAKING  
SAME, AND TREATMENT OF VASCULAR DISEASE AND DIABETES  
THEREWITH

TC/A.U. :1625  
Examiner :REYES, HECTOR, M.

Docket No. :5953-01-AJL

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
PO BOX 1450  
Arlington, Virginia 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 7, 2003, with respect to the above-identified application, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 22 of this paper.